

REMARKS

The above election along with the following remarks is being submitted as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated November 25, 2005. The Examiner is respectfully requested to review the substance of Group I: Claims 1-9 and 18-19 and to indicate the allowability of the claims.

Group I: Claims 1-9 and 18-19 directed to a manufacturing method of a solid state sensing device, in Class 29, subclass 593 is being elected without traverse for this application. The non-elected group and claims are withdrawn from further prosecution without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file divisional applications on any or all of the non-elected claims.

Substantive consideration of the elected claims is respectfully solicited. Should there be any outstanding issues requiring discussion that would further the prosecution and allowance of the above-captioned application, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative at the address and phone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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